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"Leadership, Partnership, and Championship"

#### NATIONAL INFANT IMMUNIZATION WEEK



National Infant Immunization Week (NIIW), April 18-24, is an annual observance that highlights the importance of timely infant immunization. This

year's theme is Immunization: Our Work Has Just Begun. A resource kit, with a Community Guide and an Implementation Handbook, is available from the National Immunization Program at the CDC at:

http://www.cdc.gov/nip/publications/niiw/.

The Community Guide contains ideas that can be used to promote the message of the need to immunize children as well as contains details about dozens of activities you can implement to raise awareness of immunization. It also explains a four-step process to plan and implement programs that can help raise and sustain immunization rates in your community. The Implementation Handbook consists of a variety of individual reproducible materials for parents, caregivers, providers, and partners (national organizations, community-based organizations, and coalitions). Their website is <a href="http://www.cdc.gov/nip">http://www.cdc.gov/nip</a>.

### CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to
CAPT (Sel) Deborah McKay
on her promotion!
CAPT (Sel) McKay has also
been named director of the

Health Promotion & Medical

Management Directorate effective 1 APR.

Mary Kay Solera, MS, CHES is the acting deputy.

Lost wealth may be replaced by industry, lost knowledge by study, lost health by temperance, but lost time is gone forever.

Smiles

#### **PPIP Corner**

PPIP Biannual Questionnaires are DUE! First of all, THANK YOU to those commands who have returned a report! Per BUMEDNOTE 6100, these questionnaires were due 1 April 99. The questionnaire is enclosure (1) contained in the BUMED Put Prevention Into Practice Policy. It directs MTF PPIP Coordinators to fill out the questionnaire in its entirety and return by email to

klancharl@nehc.med.navy.mil, fax to 757-444-1345, or send to NEHC, 2510 Walmer Avenue, Norfolk, VA 23513-2617. Also, remember to route the questionnaire through your chain of command. The BUMED NOTE 6100 and Biannual Questionnaire can be



downloaded from the NEHC HP Home page. Go to: www-nehc.med.navy.mil/hp/index.htm. Click on "PPIP" and click on "Policy".

An important addition to your PPIP Resource Library is *The Pink Book*, formally known as *Epidemiology* and *Prevention of Vaccine-Preventable Diseases*. The 5th Edition (January 1999) of this book was produced by the National Immunization Program, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. It provides doctors, nurses, and others who vaccinate children or adults an abundance of practical information. To obtain a copy, contact the Public Health Foundation at 877-252-1200 or 800-41-TRAIN. Cost is \$25 plus S&H. On-line ordering is available at http://www.phf.org.

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